

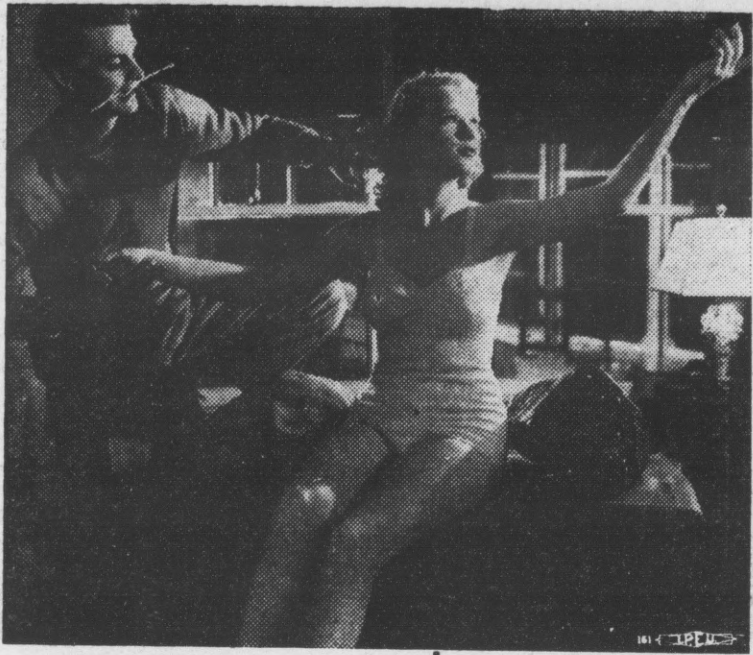
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PRO-LABOR MOVIE—Prominent labor leaders have put a stamp of approval on "The Whistle at Eaton Falls," first full-length pro-labor movie ever produced in Hollywood. Labor consultants served as technical advisors for the movie. Scenes were filmed at factories and in homes of workers around Portsmouth, N. H. and Boston. Anne Francis poses for Carleton Carpenter in this scene from the production. (LPA).

INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT PLAN WINS CITY, COUNTY BACKING; LABOR ON BODY

Efforts of business, civic and labor leaders in Monterey County to bring more industries to the area, with added employment opportunities on a year 'round basis, gained momentum last week as the sum of \$25,000 was pledged by the city of Salinas and by the county for the program.

The Salinas City Council voted \$10,000 a year for three years and the County Board of Supervisors voted \$15,000 for one year as a start of a fund which will be used for advertising and other expenses in an effort to attract industries to the county.

Fund allocations by the city and county governments are contingent, however, on the raising of \$25,000 from industry, business, labor and individual subscriptions. It was estimated that it would take \$50,000 to launch the program.

Alfred J. Clark, secretary of the Central Labor Council in Salinas, attended city council and supervisors' meetings with others in behalf of the industry plan. The labor council has endorsed the plan and its president, R. A. Wood, is a member of the board of directors of the Monterey County Industrial Development Committee.

Clark said that labor must assist in the industry attraction scheme and pointed out that labor unions will gain greatly through increased building operations and through organization of plant workers in industries brought into the area.

Sewage Study Classes Slated In Night School

When the Salinas Evening School starts its fall sessions in September, one of the courses to be offered will be a complete study of treatment and problems of municipal sewerage.

Through cooperation of Helen E. Ward, evening school principal, and Salinas sewer treatment plant officials, the course will offer information to interested parties on all phases of sewage disposal, which is developing into a major study in this state.

Randolph Fenchel, superintendent of the Salinas Sewage Treatment Plant, said the course will include sections on design of plants, engineering, hydraulic problems, water pollution, chemical analysis and study, and the actual handling and treatment. Fenchel said he may be one of the instructors for the course.

Electricians At Salinas Win Increase

Wage increase of 12½ cents per hour for all inside wiremen and linemen of Electrical Workers Union 243 of Salinas became effective last Wednesday as prolonged negotiations came to an abrupt end, Business Manager Karl G. Ozols reported.

Ozols said the last firm to comply with the contract demands did so on the eve of the effective date. The agreement also provides wage increases of 27½ cents for foremen and general foremen. Journeyman rate now is \$2.75 per hour.

"Bad Old Days"

"The Communists do not frighten me so much as those counterrevolutionaries of reaction who show by word and deed that they have no higher idea or better concept for the American people than quickly to restore the 'bad old days' of pre-'29 which led to the New Deal—the days when the rich got richer, the poor got children."

—From an article in The Denver Post by Columnist Roscoe Fleming.—(LLPE)

Sky-High Price Bill Signed; WSB Loosens Lid on Wages

Although President Truman signed under protest an inflation-feeding economic "controls" bill on July 31, the Wage Stabilization Board three days later voted unanimously to loosen the tight lid on wages and permit cost of living increases.

WSB Chairman George Taylor, submitting the board's action to Stabilizer Eric Johnston for approval, said it would: 1. Continue approval of old escalator-clause increases; 2. Provide for inclusion of such clauses in new contracts; 3. Allow wage-reopening and periodic pay adjustment terms for those not under escalators, and 4. Make allowances for exceptional cases restricted by the present Jan. 15, 1950 basis.

The board deliberated six weeks before acting. Taylor said the action does not nullify the 10 per cent ceiling but rather attempts to reconcile it with later rulings on escalator increases. About 3,000,000 are now under escalators tied in with the cost-of-living index.

Meanwhile, President Truman termed the new "controls" law as "the worst bill I ever had to sign" and said the new Defense Production Act would feed—not control—inflation. He said he will ask Congress to write a new law to hold the wage-price line and added that he signed the "weak . . . gravely deficient . . . inadequate" controls bill reluctantly.

WOULD HAVE VETOED IT

He said that if the bill had not contained other critically-needed mobilization powers "I would have vetoed it." The United Labor Policy Committee had urged the President to veto the bill and try to get a better one if he believed there was "even a remote possibility" that Congress would go along with stiffer controls.

"This act will do great harm to price and wage controls," Mr. Truman said. "And to the extent that this act permits prices and the cost of living to rise it will be necessary to allow reasonable adjustments in wages. We cannot ask the working people of this country to reduce their standards of living just to pay for the higher profits this act provides for business."

(Less than 24 hours later, the Chrysler Corp. applied to the government for a 9½ per cent price increase under the new law.)

The President said the production and rent provisions, "though they do not meet our needs . . . are relatively adequate." Then he ripped into the sections dealing with wage and price controls. He said wages continue to be frozen but that the price sections of the act will cause a rise in the cost of living "up to heights that we cannot yet foresee." This, he said, will force another price-wage spiral since many labor contracts are pegged to the cost of living and the Wage Stabilization Board has promised to take care of other pay inequities.

BOOSTS SINCE KOREA

Specifically, Mr. Truman hit out sharply at provisions which would permit price increases to make up for increases in costs since the Korean outbreak, prohibit roll backs in agricultural prices, including beef; and, kill slaughtering controls.

"In general, the act will roll price ceilings forward from their present levels," Mr. Truman said. "Furthermore, the act greatly increases and



Salinas Labor Not to Parade Until Next Year

After serious discussion of offers of industry and business leaders to assist in a Labor Day parade this year, the Central Labor Council of Salinas decided last week to forego the effort this September because of lack of time to make preparations.

BUT—if industry and business still want to give support in 1952, the labor council will sponsor the parade on Labor Day of next year, according to Secretary A. J. Clark of the council.

In voting down the parade suggestion, Clark said, the council did so with regret that there was not time to get committees into action for the coming Labor Day so that the procession might be held.

Next year, he added, the committees will be selected early in the year so that planning can be done far in advance. Floats will be asked from all unions and marching units will be enlisted before working people make other Labor Day plans.

Clark pointed out that the successful Kiddies Christmas Party in Salinas, which requires no construction, no draft of lines of march or assembly details, and no great number of participants, is only such a great success because it is started in June.

Carpenters, In Monterey, Please Note

TO ALL MEMBERS OF CARPENTERS UNION 1323:

A good number of members of our union have failed to answer letters mailed to them in regard California Physicians Service (CPS). Any member who has not yet sent in his information form regarding CPS is asked to contact Mrs. Neva Gregory, office secretary, or the business agent at once. This is important—please note and comply. —TOM EIDE, Business Agent, L. U. 1323.

complicates the administrative difficulties of price control. As a result, even after prices have reached the new and higher levels which the law requires, we may not be able to keep them from going still higher."

Carp. Council In Special Meet; Session Tues.

A special meeting was held last Tuesday night by the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters for the purpose of re-affirming stand of affiliated unions in behalf of a 60 per cent starting wage for apprentices and to take steps to prevent more carpenters from coming to this area for jobs which are non-existent.

The offer of contractors of a 50 per cent starting rate for apprentices, an offer brought to attention of the council and unions by the State Council of Carpenters, was rejected. The offer is being sent to unions for a referendum vote.

All five unions of the district council expressed official opposition to the 50 per cent offer, it was reported.

In the matter of excess numbers of carpenters in areas of King City Local 1279, Monterey Local 1323, Salinas Local 925, Watsonville Local 771 and Santa Cruz Local 829, it was voted to send a statement to all labor papers in the state, informing that there are no jobs in the jurisdiction of the district council.

The special council meeting was conducted by Vice-President George I. Colby in the absence of the vacationing Harvey Baldwin, of Salinas, council president.

Regular meeting of the district council is scheduled next Tuesday night, Aug. 14, at Monterey Carpenters Hall.

Work Shows Gain In Salinas Area

Employment for union laborers in the Salinas area showed a slight improvement last week and the future outlook was also improving, Business Agent Wray D. ("Bill") Empie announced.

Some construction at the Permanent plant at Moss Landing is continuing and 15 laborers are now on the job. Twenty union laborers have found work on the Salinas Memorial Hospital Project, under the contracting firm of Parker-Steffens and Pearce.

Empie said Permanente expects to start work on a kiln at the Natividad plant and will call laborers and bricklayers shortly. The Stone and Webster Project for P. G. & E. Company at Moss Landing is almost shut down now but supplies and material are expected by late September, he added.

LABORERS 272 MEET MONDAY

Regular meeting of Laborers Union 272 of Salinas will be held at the Salinas Labor Temple at 8 p. m. Monday (Aug. 13). Important special business is on the agenda for the meeting and all members are urged to be present for this meeting.

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BARBERS 627—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., Lewis Conine, 36 W. Alisal, phone 5591; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633; Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone, 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove. Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone Mont. 2-3032. Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Johnson, 348 Cayuga St.; Rec. Sec., Bob Johnson, 217 Daguerre Dr.; Exec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead; Bus. Agt., E. L. Court-right, 1897 Ellen Ave., San Jose, ph. CYpress 5-3849. **Hollister-Gilroy Branch**—Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St. Hollister; Rec. Sec., Harold Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 139, Hollister, ph. 43F5. Main office, 45 Santa Teresa Ave., San Jose phone CYpress 3-0252.

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CARPENTERS 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Carpenters Hall. Pres., Herbert Nelson. Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 556 San Benito, phone Salinas 6718; Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

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CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles. Office, Glikberg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 6209.

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Full Blame On Tory Bloc

Remember that a coalition of reactionary Republicans and Dixiecrats is running Congress.

As far back as Nov. 20, the LLPE said "a Republican-Dixiecrat coalition will call the turns in the Senate for the next two years. A similar bloc will be at work in the House . . . The GOP is going to try to blame the bad record which the 82nd Congress almost certainly will write on President Truman.

"But the actions of the Congress can't be laid to Mr. Truman. The whole trouble is that there are too many reactionary Republicans hiding under the Democratic label in the south."

The reactionary Republicans now are doing exactly what the LLPE warned they would do. During debates on price control reactionary GOP members have been trying to blame failure of Congress to check inflation on the Democrats.

But, as Rep. Isidore Dollinger (D.) of New York City told his colleagues July 13, "This House is not controlled by Democrats; it is controlled by an unholy alliance of Republicans and Dixiecrats.

"These Republicans and Dixiecrats have at no time been concerned with the interests of the consumer but are looking for ways . . . that would protect Big Business."

As inflation shrinks your pay check, don't forget Congressional reactionaries are responsible for high prices.

Remember that on election day—Nov. 4, 1952. (LLPE).

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Los Angeles United Labor Fights High Prices; Petition Congressmen

Los Angeles.—United Labor is fighting high prices throughout Los Angeles County with a "Consumers League Against High Prices."

AFL President William Green told Secretary W. J. Bassett of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council that he knew of no other place where United Labor committees are carrying on such an intensive campaign for so extensive a period.

Mr. Bassett reported that the drive began immediately following

the meetings last March 21 of the United Labor Policy Committee in Washington to fight for equality of sacrifice in the defense mobilization program and get a more equitable Defense Production Act.

Television, radio, newspapers, leaflets, placards, demonstrations by housewives, conferences and meetings have been used to carry the campaign to Greater Los Angeles.

The Consumers League Against High Prices also circulated petitions asking their Congressmen to vote for a price control law "which will halt the outrageous increase in the cost of living."

The petitions were sent to Senators William F. Knowland and Richard Nixon; Representatives Patrick Hillings, Norris Poulson, Samuel W. Yorty, Gordon L. McDonough, Donald L. Jackson, Cecil R. King, Clyde Doyle, Chet Hollifield, Carl Hinshaw and Harry R. Sheppard.

Both Mr. Knowland, who comes up for reelection in 1952, and Mr. Nixon ignored the petitions and voted for inflation and against the consumers.

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"The Congress has before it a bill for the purpose of curbing inflation," wrote Joseph Harsch, chief of the Washington bureau of The Christian Science Monitor, in his column July 11.

"It provides for many forms of controls on the American economy. It continues to be conservative to resist controls. But resistance to controls is in itself, under present circumstances, an inflation-breeding process.

"Those members of the Congress who regard themselves as conservative are resisting . . . the measures which in theory would check inflation. . .

"The economic impetus behind this conservative opposition to inflation controls comes from business, industry and agricultural groups whose viewpoint normally is regarded as conservative.

"Yet the ultimate effect of such political action is almost certain to produce more inflation, which in the long run usually has the social effect of speeding social revolution. . .

"It is the political heirs of the New Deal who now are trying to restabilize the dollar."

Servicemen's job protection benefits have been expanded by the new draft act, reports U. S. Bureau of Veterans Reemployment Rights.

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Reactionary Congressmen—not Big Business lobbyists—are the ones to blame for high prices.

Sure, the lobbyists have been telling the reactionaries what to do all through the price control debates. And the Congressmen have been following the orders of the lobbyists.

But remember, the minority of Senators and Representatives who have been on your side in this price control battle have been under pressure from Big Business lobbyists too.

But these liberal Congressmen have put your interests before those of the lobbyists.

There isn't much you can do about the Big Business lobbyists. They'll always be around. But there is a lot you can do about the Congressmen.

If more liberal Congressmen are elected November 4, 1952, the Big Business lobbyists won't be able to have their way in Congress all the time.

Reactionary Congressmen can best be taken care of at the ballot box.—(LLPE)

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Labor Must Strike Politically

It cannot be said too often nor too emphatically that it behooves labor to use now its political arm with far more power than ever before in order to hold its own in the battle being waged all over our land to disrupt and weaken our American labor union movement. That was made clear when the Taft-Hartley law was enacted. That law had and still has no other purpose than to outlaw organized labor.

The fact that the Taft-Hartley law has not been overly enforced against our unions does not mean that it won't be, when and if the reactionaries gain a larger degree of control than they have at present. Excessive enforcement of this anti-labor law at this time would be liable to stir up a hornet's nest of political opposition in the next election. Hence the would-be union wreckers figure their best bet is to get a larger degree of political control than they have now before they undertake to mulct our American labor unions out of existence, which they can do any time they get enough of their men in.

Labor's remedy is plain. Workers everywhere in the United States must now prepare to assert their political power in the primary and final elections of 1952, with far greater determination and force than they have ever done before. Why? Because if they don't the lavishly financed artificial political stampede toward reaction, which has been in the making since Franklin Roosevelt died, may succeed in electing the reactionary Congress that reaction wants. Just as sure as the indifference of the masses permits reaction to get enough of their men elected all labor will pay dearly.

Nearly Everybody Wants Peace

With very few exceptions, most of the people who inhabit the earth would like a cessation of war and establishment of peaceful relations between all lands. But there are individuals in all nations who seem to have a way of steering their respective countries into war.

War is so destructive today that it is practically impossible for any country to gain anything but huge losses from a war, even though a technical victory may be won. To plunge into war today is to steer straight into an abyss of terrific debts and heavy taxes, no matter what the outcome may be. Yet the warmakers of every land seem to have ways at their disposal to get wars started.

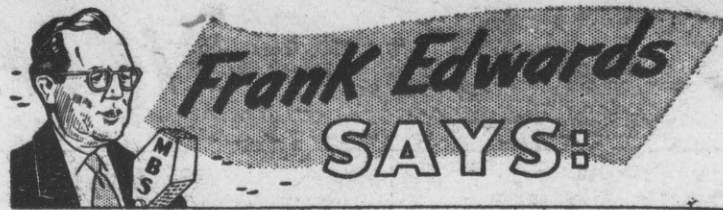
No sooner is a war under way than the cream of the young manhood is thrown into this inhuman hopper of destruction, where thousands upon thousands are killed and many more thousands are injured seriously only to be listed as casualties. Back home they stream, armless, legless, or otherwise maimed for life unless they end up with the captured to spend many weary months in prison.

When will human beings become wise and humane enough to make it possible to have permanent peace? In the United States we have gone a long way in establishing peaceful relations between the various states. Why cannot the countries of all the earth do likewise and thus make further wars unnecessary, as those who formed the United Nations in 1945 dreamed of doing? Because there are people who imagine they profit from wars, and cook up ways to get them started, we still war. Before we can have permanent peace we will have to learn how to curb warmakers.

Labor Faces Raw Deal

Labor faces one of the rawest deals that ever confronted the American workers. It is a setup under which it is deliberately planned to gouge labor into helplessness, no matter which way those who toil for a living may turn. Unions are to be outlawed if the reactionaries of the United States can get control of Congress. By the simple expedient of raising prices faster than it will be possible to raise wages, workers will be helpless to derive any real good or betterment from such pay increases as they may secure, while those who cannot get any pay raises or are obliged to live on fixed incomes will be even worse off.

Unless labor manages somehow to arouse itself from the lethargy in which so many workers seem to be almost completely immersed there are evil days ahead. Not only are the members of our unions slated to be outlawed, but all the other great masses of our population, who have not yet realized that they need to organize and stand together. If labor fails to act now and that soon workers may be forced back into a state of living that once more will border on slavery and serfdom.



Washington, D. C.

Shameless Rent Gouging of GIs . . .

A Senate preparedness subcommittee has corroborated my disclosures of outrageous rent gouging around the nation's army camps. This is a sordid and tragic story—a story of heartless greed and shameless exploitation of the men we put into uniform. Soldiers and their families are living in every conceivable shack and converted hovels at disgraceful rents. Strange that we have power to take over a man's life, but we do not have power to provide him with a decent home for his wife and kids.

More Handouts to Big Business . . .

The biggest handouts of the week went to some of the nation's largest concerns through the device known as "tax amortization." This brings the total handouts to Big Business to more than 8 billion dollars—far more than was considered necessary during all of World War II. If the government loans a veteran a thousand dollars to buy a home for his kids—that is socialism. If the government gives a corporation a hundred million dollars to build itself some tax-free factories—that is amortization.

Weather Notes From All Over:

One day last week the Eastern Seaboard was lashed by storms. Providence, R. I., was badly hit. New York got a torrent of hailstones. A terrific thunderstorm hit Philadelphia. Vermont and New Hampshire were lashed by high winds. In Washington, Senator Wherry made a speech.

What Price Food? . . .

The wave of slack business has hit the high-flying food merchants. Big chains, loaded to the rafters, are beginning to feel the pinch. The food dealers call it "consumer resistance," but millions of wage earners call it "inability to buy." Frozen incomes will not buy much frozen foods, or any other kind, at present prices.

Warning to "Penny Flatteners" . . .

People have been flattening pennies to the size of nickels and using them in telephones and slot machines—but now there is a new law which makes that illegal. It is against the law to make pennies the size of nickels. Now if we could just keep Congress from reducing the dollar to a dime . . . That would be real progress.

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Judge: "Boy or girl?"
"Girl—she was a blonde and moved in next door."

"Waitress," called the salesman seated for dinner in a cafe, "I don't like the looks of this catfish."

"Well," retorted the hash-slinger, "if it's looks you're after, why don't you try a goldfish?"

Employer, to newly hired stenographer: "Now I hope you thoroughly understand the importance of punctuation."

Steno: "Oh, yes, indeed, I always get to work on time."

Brownie, the bartender, never drinks on his golf days. Says it's a bum idea to drink when you have to drive.

On a cafe menu: "Try a hangover breakfast — Tomato juice, black coffee, an alkali-seltzer and our sympathy."

The gas company in a small college town inserted the following ad in the local newspaper: "Wanted: hard-boiled, beauty-proof man to read meters in sorority houses. We haven't made a dollar in two years."

Wife: "I had to marry you to find out how stupid you were."

Hubby: "You should have known that when I asked you."

Don't worry about high taxes; you can always move to Europe where Uncle Sam will pay yours.

Two charming but rather buxom ladies were taking a sun bath in the nude in a secluded spot. Suddenly one of them cried out: "Oh, heavens! Here comes a man."

Her companion said excitedly: "Oh, dear! I must put my teeth in at once."

The fellow who has taken the lead in the campaign for fluoridation of our drinking water has perfectly good teeth, both upper and lower dentures.

A wolf figures prosperity has arrived when the land overflows with milkmaids and honeys.

The stork is blamed for some things which are really the fault of a lark.

Stay away from cheap bars if you would preserve your sight. If the poor liquor don't blind you, the television will.

If you think stage robbers are only found in fiction, just try a date with a couple of chorus girls.

That new swim suit, constructed of two bandanna handkerchiefs, isn't to be sneezed at.

"And now, gentlemen," said the Congressman. "I wish to tax your memory."

"Good heavens," muttered a colleague, "why haven't we thought of that before?"

"If you can spare me five minutes, sir, I can show you how to earn twice the money you now are getting," said the canvasser.

"I do that now," replied the worker.

A husband came home late one night. The wife demanded: "I want an explanation and I want the truth."

"Well," said the hubby, "make up your mind. You can't have both!"

If the hubby had been to a union meeting, his wife wouldn't have had to ask for an explanation.

Indian Unionist

In Milan, Italy, one of the most fascinating delegates to the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions was Miss Maribon Kara, of India. Miss Kara, the AFL and CIO delegates learned, is president of the Indian Workers Organization with 700,000 members. One of the things that intrigued the Americans most was the fact that Miss Kara was born into a wealthy textile family and was arrested twice while picketing her own family's textile mills and was thrown into jail for six months.



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Eligibility for death benefits is based on employment of the worker for a definite period before his death. World War II service may count towards the required work-time for both retirement and death benefits.

In death cases only, social security and railroad credits are combined for the purpose of payment of benefits by one or the other agency, that is, the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance or the Railroad Retirement Board. It is wise for workers 65 or over to make immediate inquiry at their nearest social security office, rather than take the chance of losing benefits by attempting to determine eligibility themselves.

Just LOVES Labor

In New York City, CIO and AFL leaders commented with heavy irony on the way the daily press presents labor news. When a grand jury handed up a nine-point indictment charging Howard C. Hagemann, an investment counselor, with defrauding clients of more than \$1,000,000, the metropolitan papers gave it one or two inches of type or ignored it completely. But when a minor trade union official couldn't account for \$250, his indictment got huge black headlines.

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3 CONGRESSES PROVE WISDOM OF LLPE

(AFL Release)

Washington.—The past three Congresses offer an answer to the question: Why did the AFL establish Labor's League for Political Education?

1946—Labor mobilized behind President Truman and elected the Democratic 81st Congress including many liberal Republicans and Democrats. It increased social security benefits for the first time since the law was passed; raised the minimum wage from 40 to 75 cents an hour; created a national low-rent and public housing program; authorized a union shop on the nation's railroads.

1950—Labor stayed away from the polls again and the Dixiecrat-GOP 82d Congress was elected. So far the Congress has passed few important legislative measures and appears to be destined to out-worse the second-worst 80th.

1952—If working men begin to savvy the meaning of this record, there'll be a Congress so strong that the Taft-Hartley law will be repealed.

AFL's Meany Says "Build Now for '52"

(State Fed. Release)

In a new pamphlet released last week, "Our Job in 1952," AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany called on every local union to "get started now to do the most effective job in our power" toward electing a new Congress that will repeal the Taft-Hartley Act.

Meany said the present Congress is making such a feeble record on an effective anti-inflation program, housing, and an equitable tax measure because the people are "not paying enough attention."

"The entire membership of the House of Representatives and one-third of the membership of the U. S. Senate comes up for reelection next year," he reminded. "They would not dare to desert the public interest if they thought the voters were alert to what is going on."

He charged the country "is suffering from a vacuum of inspirational leadership."

Meany declared that if the labor movement "is going to maintain the achievements of the past, if it is going to progress further, we must be politically active."

He said the Supreme Court decisions of June 4, 1951, holding that union men cannot refuse to work alongside non-union men, had enabled the Taft-Hartley law to do

what employers were unable to do under the "American Plan" of 1921.

"If we are going to correct the situation, there is only one way I know of and that is by getting the votes. We are never going to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act until we put into Congress men and women friendly to the ideals and principles of this great labor movement."

Copies of the pamphlet may be ordered in bulk for distribution to local union members. Orders should be directed to Mr. George Meany, American Federation of Labor, Washington 1, D. C.

Pope Pius Supports Socialized Medicine

Rome (LPA).—The Vatican has announced that the Catholic Church welcomes any state program of socialized medicine which does not conflict with the principles of the church.

In a letter to a French organization, Msgr. Giovanni Battista Montini, substitute secretary of state, said Pope Pius XII was opposed to any medical system that conflicts with "moral principles of respect for man and family." This was taken to mean the Vatican considered the rights of marriage and family would be violated by a program approving of birth control, artificial insemination and abortion.

But, Montini added: "Just laws for hygiene, prophylaxis or healthy housing, the concern for placing within everybody's reach medical care of high standards and for stamping out social scourges such as tuberculosis and cancer, a legitimate preoccupation for the health of young generations and many other initiatives that favor the health of the body and spirit within the framework of healthy social relations—all this contributes happily to the prosperity of a people and to its internal peace."

THEATER WORKERS

Oakland, Calif. (LPA).—The theater workers' local, now in its 15th year, has moved into a centrally located suite of offices with meeting rooms available in the same building.

Soak-the-Poor Tax

The National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) and other Big Business groups are telling the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee there should be a sales tax. (They like to call it a "manufacturers' excise tax," which is the same thing.)

They say it's the low-income people who buy most of the goods. So, they argue, stop some of the buying by putting a sales tax on such things as cars, household goods and other every-day items. As usual, they are absolutely wrong.

The Public Affairs Institute reports that more than one half of American families receive less than \$2750 a year. They buy only 31 per cent of all retail purchases.

One third of U. S. families get less than \$2000 yearly. They make only 13 per cent of all consumer expenditures.

A sales tax is a soak-the-poor and help-the-rich tax.

—(LLPE)

Greedy Funeral Racket Is Enriched by Human Sorrow

(AFL Release)

Philadelphia.—President Sal B. Hoffmann of AFL Upholsterers International Union asked Attorney General Robert E. Woodside of Pennsylvania to investigate what he calls scandalous exploitation of a defenseless public by the funeral directors and their industry.

Speaking for organized burial casket workers in his union, Mr. Hoffmann urged broadening of an

inquiry actually begun on the operations of the Philadelphia coroner's office on the request of the president of the Funeral Directors Association of Philadelphia and vicinity.

The president of the upholsterers union charged that such huge profits are netted that the industry is a potent source of corruption of any public agency it contacts.

He said these same funeral directors, who charge as high as 400 and 500 per cent profit over the manufacturer's price on a casket, are so greedy that they constantly pressure the manufacturers for lower prices and enforce a cut-throat competition which brings terrific pressure against decent

wage and other standards for the workers in the burial casket industry.

Mr. Hoffman told Mr. Woodside that the attorney generals in New York and California had, by investigation, corrected some of the gravest abuses.

Insurance policies were virtually looted and the poorest and least educated had the greatest advantage taken of their helplessness in their time of bereavement, Mr. Hoffmann said.

Inflation Cuts \$7 Billion, Defense

The Army, Navy and Air Force get only 80 cents worth of material for every dollar they spend.

Who gets the other 20 cents? Inflation.

Defense Secretary George Marshall told the Senate Banking Committee inflation had taken \$7 billion out of the \$35 billion authorized for procurement of hard and soft goods for military construction during fiscal 1951.

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Sleek Lobbyists Want Richer Fare

The contrast between representatives of organized labor and those of greedy special interests has been especially strong during Congressional debate over price controls.

Trade union representatives want equality of sacrifice during the emergency. They fight against inflation and for the public.

But what about Big Business lobbyists—what do they want? Rep. Victor Anfuso (D., N. Y.) answered that this way July 17:

"I ask the members . . . to contrast this attitude with that displayed by the agents of special interests who came skulking through

the corridors, invading our offices, calling us out from the floor—only to ask us to make possible for them higher prices and more profits.

"These are the sleek, well-fed lobbyists, who are ready to entertain you with fancy cocktail parties and expensive cigars."

PRESSMEN RAISED

Oakland, Calif. (LPA).—Printing pressmen here won one of the highest scales in the United States, \$2.87 an hour for journeymen, also gained a seventh paid holiday, Washington's birthday.

WSB OK's Fringe Rule

Washington. — A more equitable policy on such contract "fringe" issues as paid vacations and holidays was put into effect by the Wage Stabilization Board.

The board's staff is now authorized to approve more paid vacations, paid holidays, premium payments relative to days and hours of work, and call-in allowances up to the limits of area or industry practices.

The new regulation does not apply to health, welfare and pension plans, but the board noted that Economic Stabilization Director Eric Johnston had asked that it consider policy and regulations for these items as well as for the "fringe" improvements.

Under the new regulation the "fringe" benefits will not be offset against the 10 per cent general wage rise ceiling permissible under the general wage control regulation.

It was pointed out that unlike the board's 10 per cent catch-up formula, which might be applied by any employer without specific board approval, "fringe" benefits might be liberalized only after petitions were filed and approved.

Requests for approval of paid vacations or other benefits are to be submitted to the nearest wage-hour field office, which will forward the petitions to the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington.

Solons Publish Relief Rolls But Hide Their Pay

Make public the names of all old people getting relief! shout Republican Senators William Jenner (Ind.), John Bricker (Ohio) and Everett Dirksen (Ill.). But no publicity about the way we spend government funds! they quickly add.

Jenner, Bricker and Dirksen succeeded in getting the Senate to approve July 19 a bill making public the names of all persons on relief.

We must have publicity, say Jenner, Bricker and Dirksen. The people must know how every penny of government money is spent. Yet no one knows how Jenner, Bricker, Dirksen and the rest of the senators spend government funds they get. No senator is demanding publicity on that.

The way senators spend their money is secret. (LLPE).

Sen. Morse Wants Propaganda Controls

Sen. Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) thinks Congress should do something about "vicious" propaganda that "takes the electorate for a ride."

Morse told the Senate Expenditures Committee that if Congress fails to stop "smear propaganda" it will "play into the hands of a new type of political racketeer developing in this country in smear campaigns."

Morse obviously had in mind the campaign of Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R., Wis.) and Col. Robert McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune, made in Maryland last year against former Sen. Millard Tydings. McCarthy and McCormick elected Sen. John Butler (R., Md.).

The Cost of Dying

In Cincinnati, a group of union stonemasons admitted they didn't know whether to denounce the looseness of price controls or be amused when the government announced that tombstones would be exempted from price ceilings because they have little effect on "the cost of living".



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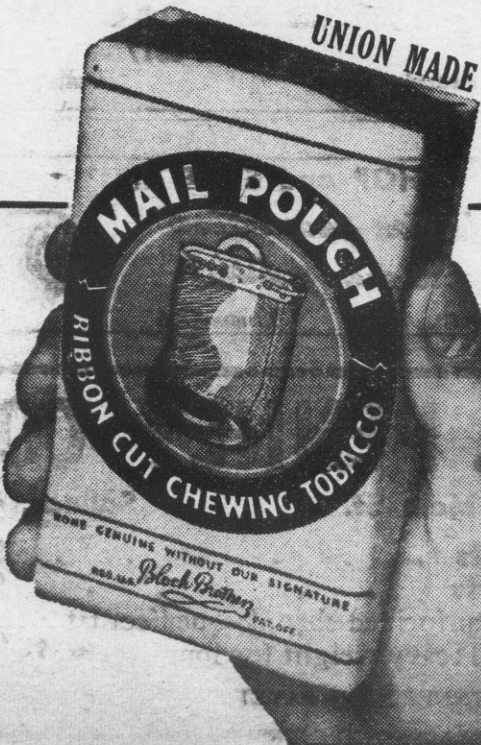
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Union Label Week To Open Sept. 2

Washington. — Many churches will hold Labor Sunday services, Sept. 2, beginning the observance of Union Label Week across the nation.

The AFL Union Label Trades Department said that the mayors of hundreds of cities issued proclamations designating Sept. 2-8 as Union Label Week in their communities.

The department issued a new folder, "What Can I Do?", suggested a week-long series of meetings, civic events, social affairs and publicity on radio and in newspapers to promote goodwill for the American Federation of Labor and union-made goods and services.

In a communication to state federations, central and local labor unions, AFL President William Green said in part:

"Time and experience have served to emphasize the importance and the value of the union label, union

shop card and union button. Therefore, I call upon the millions of members of the American Federation of Labor to observe Union Label Week, Sept. 2-8, 1951, in a proper, impressive and comprehensive way.

"The membership of the American Federation of Labor should strive to utilize these emblems in the largest and most fitting manner and encourage the use of the union label, shop card and button in the most complete way possible.

"First of all we must carry on our educational activities; make it clear to the wives and families and friends of the workers that the living standards of the workers can be lifted and improved through the purchase of goods bearing the union label, and that the strength and influence of organized labor would be thoroughly established if all the families and friends of organized labor would consistently and constantly demand union label goods when purchasing the goods they need.

"Let us renew our pledge during Union Label Week to patronize only firms which display the union label, shop card and button."

AFL Building Trades Wages Up in U.S.

(State Fed. Release)

The hourly wage scale of AFL union construction trades workers advanced 2 per cent nationally during the second quarter of 1951, compared with an increase of eight-tenths of 1 per cent in the preceding three months' period, and of 2.5 per cent in the second quarter of 1950, it was announced this week by the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The survey included seven major building trades in 85 cities. Union scales presented are the minimum wage rates agreed upon through collective bargaining between employers and unions.

Overtime beyond established maximum daily and weekly hours is excluded from the computation. The scales do not reflect either rates for apprentices or premium rates; thus they do not represent total hourly earnings of union labor.

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ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sekols, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec. and B. A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres. John Alsop, P. O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Ray Opler, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 2-4472; Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Pres., Don Thompson, 416 Park Salinas; V. Pres., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson, Monterey; Sec., Fred Clayton, 70 Robley Rd., Salinas, ph. 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Shado Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec. Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Box 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN & HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Thursday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec. Peter A. Andrade, 274 E. Alisal St., Bus. Agt., Glenn Wilkerson, Office, 778 Hawthorne St., Monterey phone 2-0124.

Union Labor Hero Of Commercial Movie Film

New York (LPA).—The hero of "The Whistle at Eaton Falls," a feature-length entertainment film soon to be released, is a young labor leader. AFL and CIO officials who have been shown the film privately have praised both theme and production.

The young leader is given a chance to save his town from ruin by taking over management of a factory. To save it he is forced to install labor-saving machinery. An explosive situation develops. Adjustments and compromises are necessary before the community can function normally again.

The film is based on factual cases, was shot on actual locations in and around Portsmouth, N. H., and Boston, and labor men served as technical advisers.

AFL President William Green said he was deeply impressed and regards the film as "educational, appropriate and quite significant," because it dealt "with the problem of human relations in industry, and establishment of cooperation between labor and management."

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Billions of your dollars are at stake in the Congressional fight over price rollbacks. Rep. Hugh Mitchell (D.) of Seattle reminded members of the House July 6 more than meat is involved in rollbacks. He says:

"The carefully worked-out estimates of consumer savings that would be realized through price rollbacks (include): . . .

"Beef rollbacks would save the consumer \$700 million annually and still permit a fair and adequate profit to the beef industry. . . .

"Veal rollbacks would save the consumer \$35 million per year. . . .

"Soft drink price realignment would save \$8 million. . . .

"Price readjustment already agreed to by the salmon packing industry would save the consumer \$15 million. . . .

"Bakery goods rollback would save the consumer about \$40 million. . . .

Mitchell added that industrial soap users would save \$12 million under planned rollbacks. Glycerine prices would be cut \$4 million. Prices of farm machinery would go down 4 per cent.

"Price reductions on canned, dried and frozen fruits and vegetables and canned soups would reduce the cost of the consumers' market basket," Mitchell continued. "The 70-cent . . . rollback applied to only one-third of the 450 million-pair shoe production would save the consumer a minimum of \$105 million with a strong possibility of the savings being nearer \$200 million."

ITU Daily Papers Start Publishing

WASHINGTON (LPA).—The fourth of nine daily newspapers planned by the International Typographical Union was scheduled to start publishing July 24. Those in Monroe, La., Meriden, Conn., and Texarkana, Ark., came out July 17.

All 16-page tabloids called Daily News-Digest, the papers are serviced by a Washington bureau which has asked for representation in the Congressional press galleries. Local advertising is solicited at standard rates. The other five publications will be in Lorain, Ohio, Springfield, Mo., and Huntington, Beckley and Charleston, West Virginia.

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Big Political Action Is Needed by Labor

AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany told the AFL Retail Clerks convention July 17 that organized workers and other wage earners have little influence in Congress.

"This situation regarding special interest lobbies in Congress is the most deplorable I've ever seen," Meany said. "But you can't get any protective legislation up there on the grounds you represent workers."

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Printers Blast Stranglehold On Nation's Daily Press

(AFL Release)

(Excerpt from Texarkana, Ark., Daily News-Digest, first issue of new newspapers to be published in nine cities by AFL International Typographical Union.)

The free press of America was started by free men who were craftsmen as well as editors and statesmen, such as Benjamin Franklin and Horace Greeley.

They were publisher, editor, typesetter, proofreader, pressman, advertising and circulation manager and copy boy. They were bold in their imagination and brave in their opinions.

From their solid beginning grew the greatest free press in the world. But somewhere along the line the boldness gave way to timidity, and opinion became a stereotyped commodity; editing a newspaper became an 8 per cent business.

With the launching of Daily News-Digest the cycle starts its second swing round. Instead of the one-man newspaper, today's printers, recognizing the era of specialization, are hiring publishers and editors, business managers and office girls to give the reading public an alternative to cash-register newspapering.

Today's printers are working in the great American tradition of competition and free enterprise, a tradition that is slowly crumbling under the pressure of monopoly. Daily News-Digest will seek to revive the spirited competition that made America great by operating in communities where monopoly control of the press gives the people a one-sided and misguided viewpoint on the nature of the critical issues of the day.

The International Typographical Union is the direct descendant of the early printers who gave America its free press. In its hundred years of growth it has set up a single guide—to keep its members free, able and willing to sell their labor as craftsmen and to keep the craft intact. It has absorbed the evolution of the industry for a hundred years and it intends to continue to do so.

Labor Press Meets in SF

Newark, N. J.—The International Labor Press of America called its 40th anniversary convention to meet in San Francisco Sept. 14, 15 and 16, just prior to the start of the AFL 70th Convention on Sept. 17.

The objectives and schedule of the convention were set forth in the call signed by President Matthew Woll and Secretary-Treasurer Lewis M. Herrmann. They said:

"Samuel Gompers founded the International Labor Press of America just 40 years ago and, since its inception, it has blazed the way for the progress of trade unionism in this country. Today it is the recognized and respected voice of organized labor.

"Labor editors and international union officers should make a special effort to attend this convention, at which the role of the labor press will be decided for the coming year on such important issues as wage-price controls, public housing, Labor's League for Political Education.

"Prospects for favorable consideration of labor legislation on the national as well as state level is most discouraging and the responsibility of carrying the fight against labor's enemies at the polls will be greater than ever before during the coming 12 months.

"It is imperative that the labor press meets its obligation to the working people of this country. Your active support is needed in helping us meet this challenge."

Forums to afford editors of international journals and local labor papers a chance to discuss problems of mutual interest at Labor Press Offices, Sir Francis Drake Hotel, commence 2 p. m., Friday, Sept. 14.

General timetable: Friday, Sept. 14—10 a. m.—Committee on Cre-

dentials registers delegates at Labor Press Headquarters, Sir Francis Drake Hotel; 2 p. m.—Two workshop forums: (1) International journals, (2) local publications, will be held in Labor Press Headquarters; 7 p. m.—ILP executive council annual meeting.

Saturday, Sept. 15—10 a. m.—Official opening of convention; 1 p. m.—ILP luncheon; 2:30 p. m.—afternoon session.

Sunday, Sept. 16—10:30 a. m.—Convention reconvenes; 7:30 p. m.—annual convention banquet. Presentation of journalistic awards. All functions take place at Sir Francis Drake Hotel.

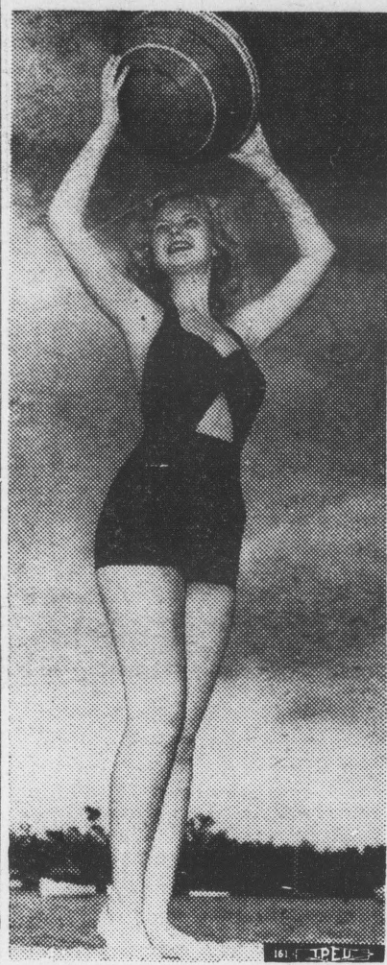
Results now available from investigations in six English towns show important reduction in dental decay as result of drinking water containing sodium fluoride.

High Prices Hurt 95% of Families

A survey shows how high prices are hurting the American people. The Homemakers Guild of America, a private public opinion polling group, reports:

Ninety-five per cent of the nation's families are "economizing" because of high prices.

Eighty-two per cent of the families are buying less food; 73 per cent less clothing, and 61 per cent fewer household items. Families also are cutting down on entertainment and laundry services. Sixty-six per cent are buying less meat—especially fresh meat. (LLPE).



BEAUTY AND THE BEACH—Curvy Betty Wagner has as many curves as this beach ball she's using in a game on a California beach.

Government Issues Popular History of Labor Movement

(State Fed. Release)

A pocket-sized history of the American labor movement is now available.

Titled "A Brief History of the American Labor Movement," it describes organizations of labor from colonial times to the present, highlighting such historic bodies as the Knights of Labor and the American Federation of Labor. The story is carried down through 1950.

Generously illustrated, the 66-page "Brief History" should be of special value to workers' education classes and students of U. S. labor history.

Particular attention is given to the history of labor legislation and collective bargaining.

A chronology of events of importance to labor from early days to the present is featured together with a selected list of standard references for further reading and study.

The history was compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor.

Copies of the booklet can be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., for 25 cents. A discount of 25 per cent is given on orders of 100 or more.

Ovaltine Will Not Give That Fresh Feeling, Says Ftc.

Chicago (LPA).—Have you fallen for the advertising blurb that taking Ovaltine before you go to bed will assure you of feeling fresh, vigorous, vital and buoyant the next morning?

It's the bunk, says a trial examiner for the Federal Trade Commission, who has ordered the Wander Co. to stop making high, wide and fancy advertising claims for Ovaltine.

Great Britain's total production index for all industries (monthly average for 1946 equals 100, was 151 for April, 1951, as compared with 140 for the previous month, and with 135 for April 1950.

Monterey County

Labor News

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1951

Fish Cannery Pact Complete; Fishermen Idle

Although the AFL Seine and Line Fishermen's Union at Monterey and throughout the state had not completed their price contracts with fish canneries, the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union ended negotiations just prior to opening of the sardine fishing season last Wednesday.

Secretary Roy Humbracht of the FCWU membership approved the new contract and ordered it prepared for signatures at a special meeting.

No word on the fishermen's demand for a \$55 per ton price for sardines was available, but the fishing fleet was tied up until settlement was reached.

Humbracht said the new FCWU contract contained several important changes in working conditions and a 3 cents per hour wage increase, all possible under the Wage Stabilization Board formula.

The union agreed to a two-year contract for the first time in its history, Humbracht added. Provision was made for opening the contract for wage negotiations between Jan. 15, closing date of the sardine season, and May 31, or on the first anniversary date of July 31, 1952. Such reopening will be contingent on a change in the WSB wage regulations or on increases of living costs as determined through official government surveys.

Cab Radio Reaches

In San Diego, Calif., union taxi drivers are gradually but painfully becoming reconciled to the screwiest instructions that hackers have ever received by radio. The most recent mixup occurred in Kalispell, Montana, when Forest Ranger Marshall Jewell turned on his short-wave transmitter and inquired about a mountain-top forest fire report. Immediately came back a report from a cab driver in San Diego: "Sorry, I'm too busy picking up a passenger on South 58th street."

OUR INCOME AND TAXES

Almost one-half—or 49 per cent—of the families of this country made less than \$3000 last year.

That is something the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee should remember. The Big Business crowd tells it the House tax bill—which increases income taxes by 12½ per cent—is not tough enough on low-paid individuals. "Tax the little fellow—that's where the money is!" they shout. It doesn't make sense, but they still shout it.

But a Federal Reserve Board (FRB), survey, reported June 22, shows 13 per cent of America's families earned less than \$1000 a year. And three out of 10 families earned less than \$2000. Only one family in five made as much as \$5000.

Experts figure it takes about \$3500 a year to maintain a family of four at even the lowest standards of health and comfort.

Increased taxes on corporations—many of which have guaranteed loans and guaranteed markets—not only would be more fair than increased taxes on the wage-earner. They also would protect the future health and welfare of the nation while heavier burdens on the little fellow would place them in danger.

Labor Chiefs In Monterey

International Representative Lee Lator and Secretary George Gibbs of the Northern California District Council of Laborers were scheduled to meet with officials of Laborers Union 690 on Tuesday of this week.

According to S. M. Thomas, business agent of the Monterey local union, Lator and Gibbs are coming to the area to assist negotiations for a new contract covering laborers employed in lumber yards in the Monterey area.

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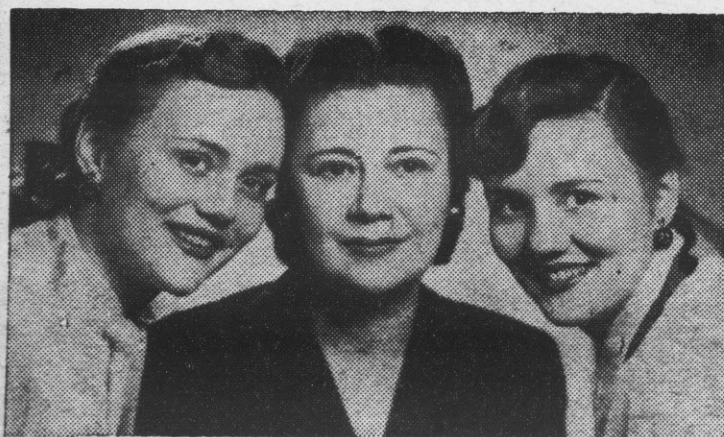
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DEMOCRATIC VICTOR—Mrs. Vera Buchanan (center), widow of the late Pennsylvania Congressman Frank Buchanan, won his seat in Congress for the state's 33rd district at a special election July 24. She campaigned on a platform of all-out support of President Truman and her late husband's liberal, pro-labor policies. She is shown here with her twin daughters, Jane (left) and Mrs. Joan Cavalcante. (LPA).